

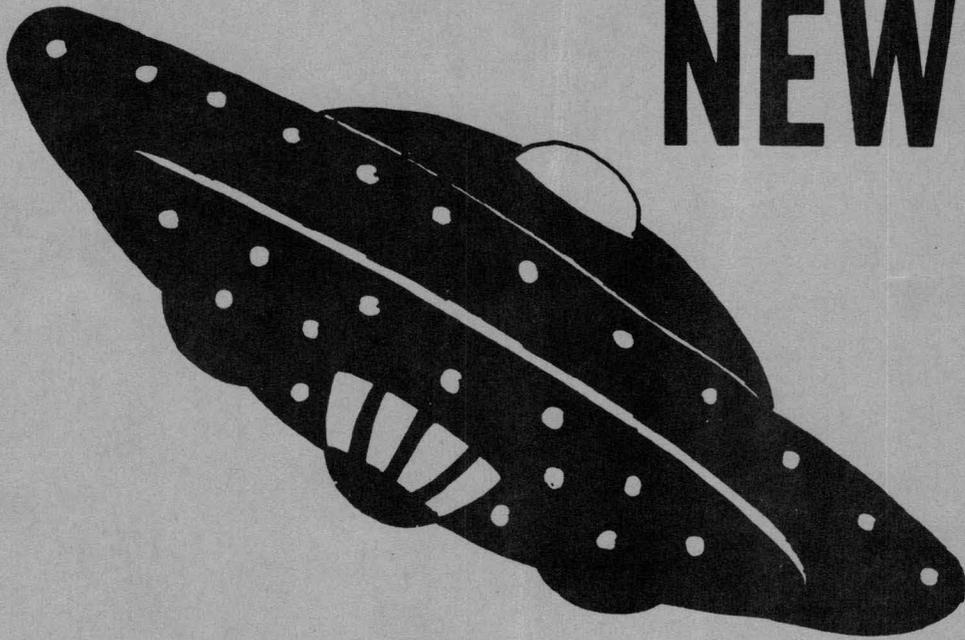
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UFO aliens planted magic healing bananas on Earth

THE INDIAN banana, better known as the pawpaw, has miraculous health giving powers because aliens brought the food to Earth, according to a top UFO researcher.

Norman Chastain, 72, has been studying UFOs for more than 20 years, and has had two documented close encounters of the third kind in that time.

His research reveals that Cherokee Indian legend holds that "flying gods brought the Indian banana to Earth."

Chastain's study of the legend brought him to Stone Mountain, Ga., where he encountered a Cherokee Indian chief named Rock Eagle.

"He told me that if you want to live in good health past the age of 200 years, all you have to do each year is eat a stomach full of Indian bananas," he says.

Base

While Rock Eagle has since passed away, Chastain says the chief looked to be more than 100 years old when he met him.

Chastain theorizes that Stone Mountain served as a UFO landing base, for legend has it that there were once markings cut deep in the rock, markings Chastain feels were made by aliens in order to guide their spaceships to Earth.

Although the markings have since been destroyed, the legend of the Indian banana lives on. In fact, no less an authority than Erich Von Daniken, author of the popular 'Chariots of the Gods,' maintains that even the tropical banana came from outer space.

In his book 'The Gold of the Gods,' Von Daniken wonders how the banana came to exist around the world.

"The banana has been known in every tropical and subtropical region of the Earth for many thousands of years," he writes.

by WAYNE RIVERS

The Indian saga tells of the 'wonderful Kandali,' or banana bush, which the 'Manu,' or the loftiest spirits and protectors of mankind, brought to our planet from another star which was much further along the path of evolution than our planet.

"But a banana tree or a banana bush simply does not exist! The banana is an annual plant which does not

multiply by seeds, which it does not possess, but by suckers.

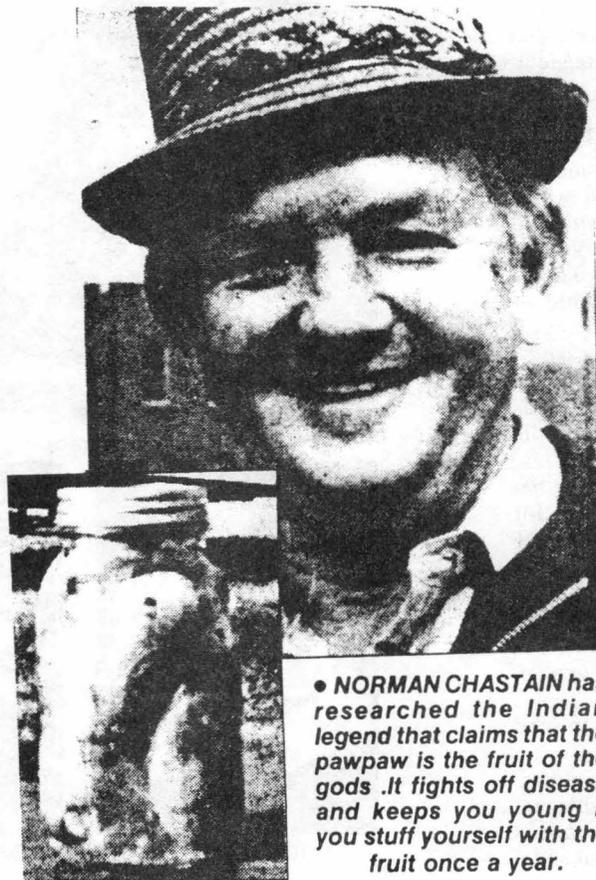
Transplanting

"Looked at in this light, the banana is a problem. It is found on even the most remote South Sea islands.

"How did this plant, which is so vital for the nourishment of mankind, originate? How did it make its way around the world, seeing that it has no seeds? Did the 'Manu,' of whom the Indian saga tells, bring it with them from another star — as an all-around food-stuff?"

Chastain is continuing his research on the pawpaw and is eager to revive its cultivation. He says he has more than 500 trees ready for transplanting and experimentation.

**FRUIT FROM SPACE
FIGHTS DISEASE &
KEEPS YOU YOUNG**



• **NORMAN CHASTAIN** has researched the Indian legend that claims that the pawpaw is the fruit of the gods. It fights off disease and keeps you young if you stuff yourself with the fruit once a year.

Space aliens kidnap hundreds of people a year

ALIENS ARE kidnapping people wholesale — hundreds of Earthlings vanish in thin air every year, and extraterrestrials are responsible, say experts.

by PETER BEMIDJI

Boris Sulghakov, a world-renowned UFOlogist, reports that research behind the Iron Curtain demonstrates beyond doubt that these mysterious disappearances are the work of space aliens.

"In every instance the victims literally vanish into thin air — this is no exaggeration," he says.

Teleportation

"We have thousands of documented cases in which people have disappeared right before the eyes of others. There is no known human agency capable of such a feat. But for aliens it would be a piece of cake.

"In America this process, called teleportation, was made known through the television show 'Star Trek' We are aware that it has become a standard joke for Americans to say, 'Beam me up, Scotty.'

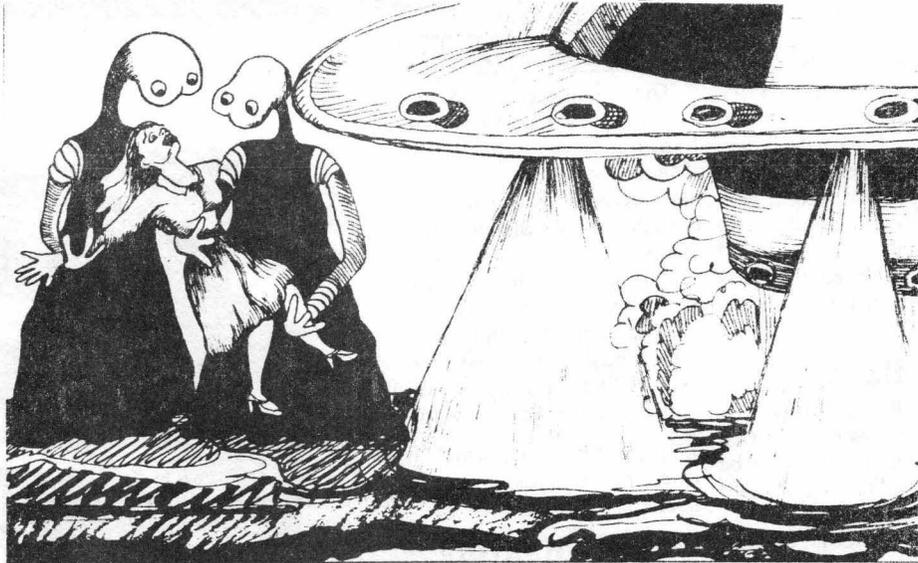
"But there is a chilling truth to this joke. Hundreds of people all around the world are beamed up to alien spacecraft every year, vanishing before stunned eyewitnesses."

Soviet physicist Sergi Barbek agrees with his colleague:

"Obviously these aliens are using a science unknown on Earth to kidnap people: for what reasons, I can't imagine."

British author Paul Begg has done exhaustive research into this terrifying phenomenon. He has written a book, 'Into Thin Air,' about his findings, which leave the reader open-mouthed in amazement.

Consider these case histories:



• UFOs HAVE been kidnapping Earth people for their own diabolical reasons



• DONALD DENT



• ROSALIND BALLINGALL



• SERGI BARBEK

In February 1975, Jackson Wright stopped his car in New York City's Lincoln Tunnel to clear a build-up of snow on the car windows. Jackson's wife Martha began clearing the rear window while he worked on the windshield. When Jackson looked up, his wife had vanished.

Vanished

On a summer evening in England that same year, Donald Dent, 40, was sitting

in his living room watching television. His wife Valerie went upstairs to bed and Donald said he would be up shortly. He was never seen again. When his wife came back downstairs later that night to find out why he hadn't joined her, she found the TV on and the front door open. In spite of an intensive search, no trace of Donald was ever found.

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VICTIMS NEVER SEEN AGAIN



• BORIS SULGHAKOV

On August 12, 1969, Rosalind Ballingall of Johannesburg, South Africa, disappeared while staying with friends in the Knysna Forest. After breakfasting with her friends, she said she was going for a walk. She was never seen again.

James Burne Worson's disappearance in 1879 was more spectacular. He had bet his friends he could run from his home in Leamington Spa to Coventry and back, a distance of about 16 miles. As he jogged along, his friends

rode behind in a buggy to make sure he didn't cheat. After a few miles, Worson suddenly seemed to stumble over some unseen object. He tripped, cried out and vanished into thin air.

Another famous case is that of Benjamin Bathurst, a British diplomat at the Austrian Court during the Napoleonic wars.

On his return trip home Bathurst stopped at an inn in Perleberg, in what is now East Germany. When he prepared to resume his journey, in full view of witnesses standing in the inn's courtyard, he looked over the horses and began to walk around the carriage. He disappeared behind the coach and was never seen again.

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UFOs warn of atomic disaster

A government bigwig says the world is being warned about the danger of nuclear war by UFOs sent to Earth by aliens from outer space.

The amazing news was brought to the floor of England's House of Lords by former intelligence officer Gordon Creighton.

"One of the more recent UFO landings was only a quarter-mile from a secret air base in nearby Suffolk, England," Creighton said.

"We're poised on the brink of a nuclear disaster, and those who are watching over us from other planets are sending UFOs here warning us not to press the nuclear button."

A member of England's Select Committee on Defense was outraged that high-level government sources haven't released what they know about the aliens' concerns over the nuclear threat.

"It seems perfectly feasible to me that they're sending UFOs here to warn us."

Sudden appearance of UFO scares schoolgirls

I'VE NEVER been frightened like that before. We were alone. I didn't know what to do — I was paralyzed with fright, otherwise I might have run for my life.

Young Pia Andersson was describing her frightening encounter with a flying saucer while she was riding horseback with two friends on a lonely road after the sun was down.

Terrified

"The flying saucer just hung there in the air six to eight yards above our heads," shuddered Pia, 17. "The horses were scared, we were scared. I was terrified about what could happen to me and my friends."

The hair-raising incident took place in the small Swedish hamlet of Kvilla in October 1982.

Pia had gone out riding at 9 p.m. with Anna-Karin Lindahl, 11, and Carina Sjostrom, 14.

"It was a wonderful evening, the stars were just beginning to show, but it was still light," recalled Anna.

"But suddenly, we all stopped in our tracks."



All three of us saw a flying saucer.

"It seemed as if it had arrived from nowhere. Suddenly, it was there, hovering above us. My horse went wild. I was nearly thrown off."

"There were lights in a myraid along the outer edge

of the craft," added Pia. "It was weird. I felt strange eyes piercing through us. I was pins-and-needles all over."

After hovering over the frightened girls for about six minutes, the craft vanished as suddenly as it had appeared.

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GAZETTE (LON)
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U.F.O. in Christmas night sky?

MYSTERY SURROUNDS the source of an unidentified flying object which three residents of Rangeworthy saw in the sky on Christmas Day.

The object was seen by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Ellis, of "Westways", Wotton Road, and Mr. Roger Townsend of "Nobel", Patch Elm Lane.

All three were out walking when they spotted a strange light in the sky about 5 p.m.

A retired senior Telecommunications Superintendent in the Post Office, 67-year-old Mr. Ellis was returning with his wife along the drive towards his home, and Mr. Townsend, a depot supervisor for Littlewoods, was walking with his dog along a cart track off the north side of Patch Elm Lane.

All three were struck by the strange yellow

light's resemblance to local sodium street lights, both in colour and intensity, and its complete silence.

"It was low down at an elevation of about five degrees and moved across my field of view from right to left and appeared to be approaching obliquely," said Mr. Ellis. "It might have been half a mile away and travelling in level motion at 40-50 mph, moving down-wind, but much faster than the wind".

When the light went behind a Dutch barn, Mr. Ellis ran up the drive and saw it reappear and then sputter and go out.

Bearings taken since show that it moved from about 147 degrees to 140 degrees magnetic and when Mr. Ellis plotted them on a map he

found the light had disappeared at Goose Green, north of Yate.

Mr. Townsend had also returned to the spot by daylight and said the light was on a magnetic bearing of approximately 124 degrees.

Mr. Ellis believes the object was about 1,000 feet above ground and travelling at not less than about 100 m.p.h.

Both he and Mr. Townsend say they have never seen anything like it before and could think of no normal explanation for it.

There were no planes flying from the nearest airfield at RAF Filton, as these stopped on December 19.

If anyone else saw anything similar, Mr. Ellis would be delighted to hear from them, or have any explanation of the strange occurrence.

Govt. Sued for \$20 Million Over Encounter With UFO

Three people have filed a whopping \$20 million lawsuit against the U.S. government for severe health damages they say they suffered after encountering a huge fire-spitting UFO in 1980.

Three Charge Their Health Was Ruined

Betty Cash, 54, Vicki Landrum, 60, and her 10-year-old grandson Colby claim that radiation from the UFO caused radiation burns, loss of fingernails, loss of hair, large lumps under the skin, nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, cataracts, blindness — and a case of breast cancer.

The lawsuit charges that the government either owned the UFO or knew about it — because the victims saw 23 military helicopters surround the object and escort it out of sight.

"The government is responsible," Mrs. Landrum told The ENQUIRER. "The Air Force said they didn't know anything about the UFO."

"But the government had to know about it — or the UFO was owned by the government — because the (military) helicopters were there."

The horrifying UFO encounter occurred on Dec. 29, 1980, and was reported in The ENQUIRER.

The three victims were driving along a deserted stretch of road some 20 miles from the town of Dayton, Tex. Suddenly, a fire-belching, diamond-shaped object the size of a "city water tank" descended from the sky and blocked the road. The UFO made "beeping" noises, and huge red flames shooting from its bottom made the temperature in the car unbearable. Both women got

out of the car, but were forced back inside by the heat. For 15 minutes, the women and little Colby cowered in fear.

Finally, the UFO moved off. The victims drove away, but three miles away they looked back — and were astonished to see approximately 23 military helicopters, several of which were the kind with large double rotors. They were all circling the UFO.

After they got home, Mrs. Landrum recalled, "Colby started vomiting and had diarrhea, and Betty's problems started right away."

"All of us were really red and burned, and that night we all got terrible



VICTIMS Colby Landrum and grandmother Vicki still suffer health problems from UFO.

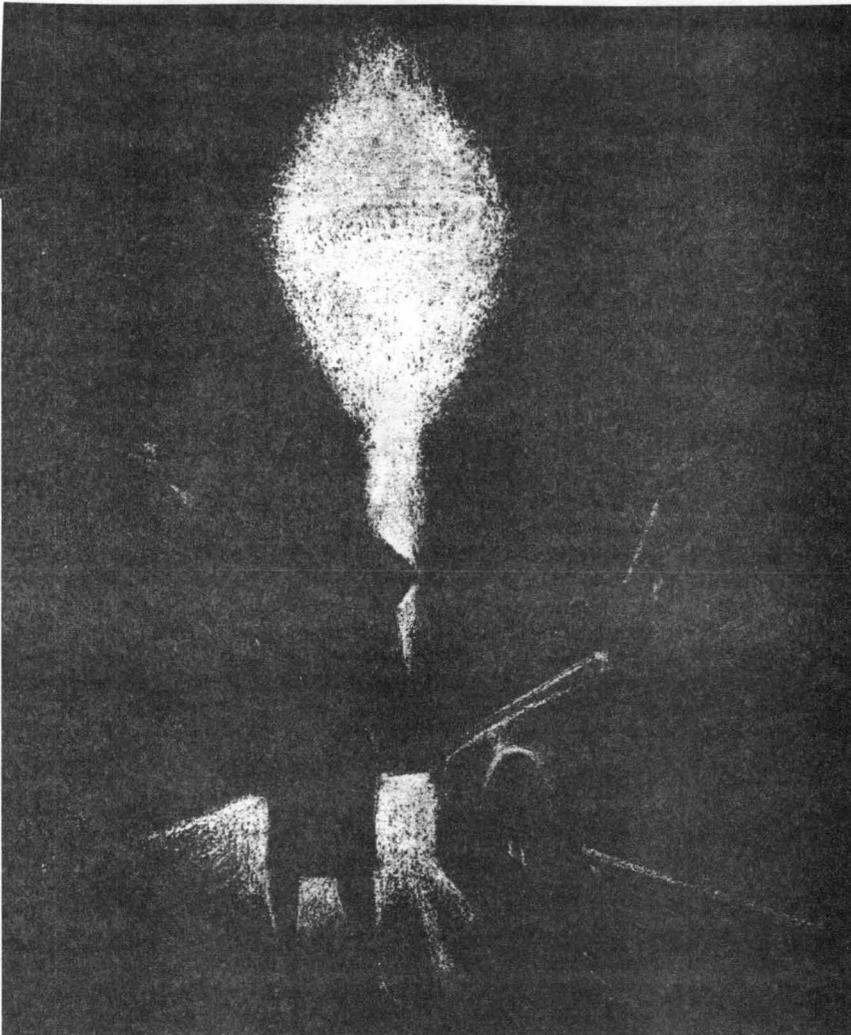


HAIR LOSS was UFO's fault, claims Betty Cash.



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SKETCH shows how fiery UFO forced car to stop. Victims also claim they saw helicopters circling the UFO.

headaches. Betty developed red knots on her face and hands.

"Within a little more than a week's time she had lost about half her hair. I lost three-quarters of my hair. Colby's hair started coming out. Then I lost my fingernails, which eventually grew back."

The physical damage grew worse. Medical sources say Vicki Landrum developed a cataract in her right eye — and lost her vision in her left eye. Betty Cash suffered cancer of the right breast and underwent a mastectomy.

And little Colby — who had perfect vision — now has to wear glasses. He's also developed anemia.

One physician who examined the medical records of the three victims — a radiologist and former university professor who asked that his name not be used — told The ENQUIRER: "There is no doubt that

they were exposed to radiation."

He added that he believes most of their medical problems resulted from the radiation.

As for the "government helicopters," a 19-year veteran of the Dayton, Tex., Police Department confirms that he spotted several military-type helicopters in the area at the time of the incident.

Officer L.L. Walker, a Marine Corps veteran, told The ENQUIRER: "I saw between six and nine helicopters.

"I was about 14 miles away from where they were, and the helicopters were on a direct course with their location. The helicopters had U.S. Army markings, olive drab with white stars. They were military. I am familiar with what government helicopters look like — and I saw them."

— JOHN BLOSSER

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Flying object reported, but not located

A Los Angeles County sheriff's helicopter crew using emergency locator equipment failed to find any downed aircraft Monday in the Johnstone Peak area west of the San Dimas Reservoir.

Members of the Sheriff's Department's Mountain Rescue Team also failed to locate any downed plane Sunday night.

Rescue team members were dispatched to the area after a Pomona man reported seeing a flying object maneuvering strangely. The mountaineers found nothing and a helicopter crew, also using a locating device, did not receive any distress calls from the area.

Sgt. Rod Morris of the San Dimas sheriff's station said the caller reported seeing the object moving in a northwesterly direction shortly after 9 p.m. Among its reported strange maneuvers were hovering and then sudden bursts of speed, he said.

Morris said the Federal Aviation Administration reported no aircraft overdue or missing. Radar at Ontario International Airport failed to verify the man's report.

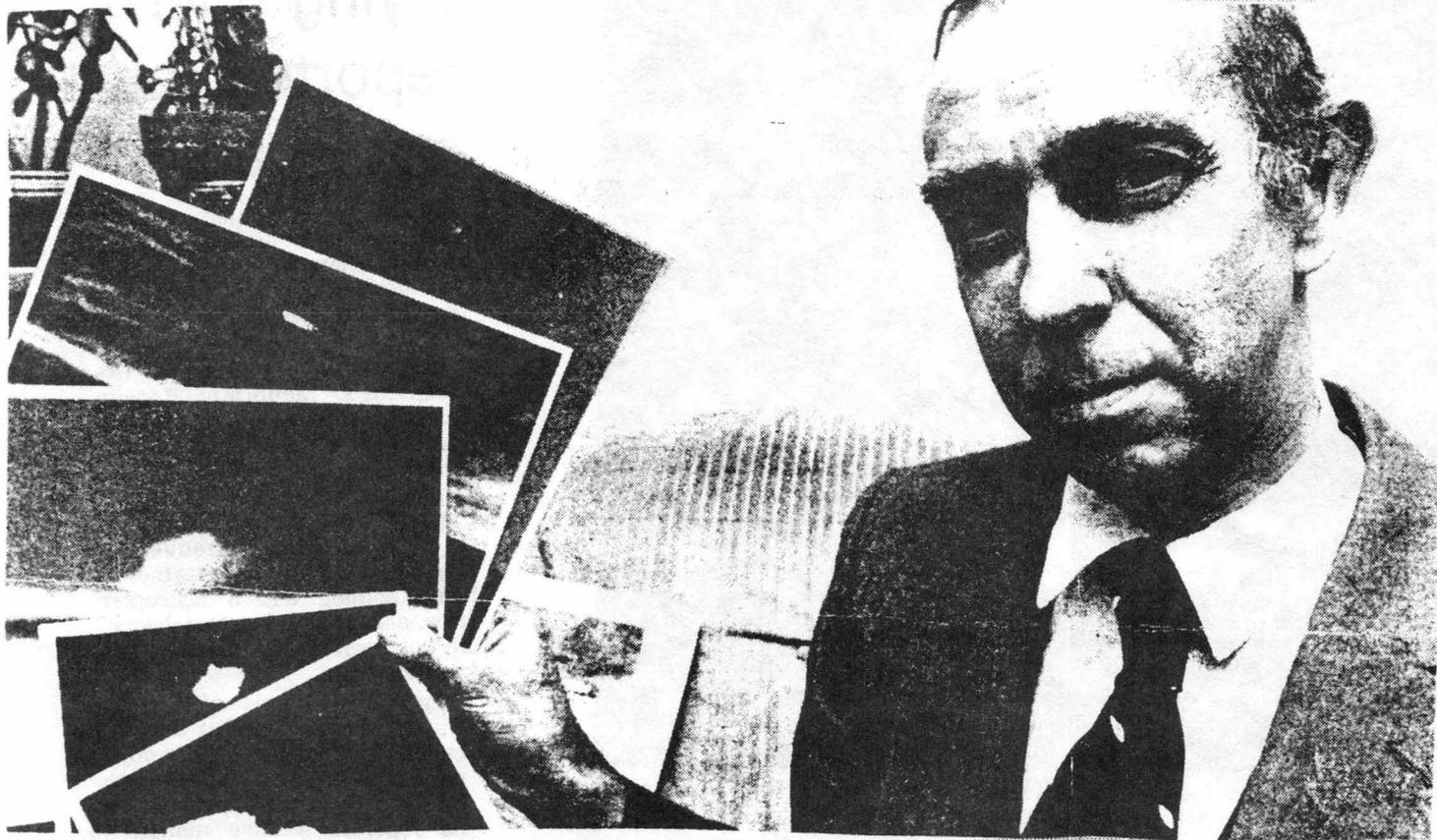
Morris said the investigation has been halted pending new information.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE UFO KIND

Course tackles alien

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visitors



PROOF IS IN THE PICTURES, OR IS IT?

Lawrence Fenwick displays a collection of photographs he believes are UFOs.

Fenwick is a devoted ufologist and teaches a course on the subject at

Humber College, called UFOs — Fact or Fiction. He says they're fact.

By BOB THOMPSON
Staff Writer

Lawrence Fenwick has a vision — an alien vision that has more to do with the *The Twilight Zone* than the Wonderful World of *E.T.*

He's a ufologist — a hobbyist who studies extraterrestrial encounters — and a Metro man accustomed to the cynical smirks from skeptics who think they know better.

Fenwick, who will teach a Humber College non-credit course on the subject starting Jan. 31, has a few suggestions for those who mock his UFO claims.

"Before you criticize, study then investigate and see if you're still laughing," said Fenwick, 47, who believes in an alien master plan.

Students of the UFO mystery might find out what that is when he lectures on the phenomena.

Called UFOs — Fact or Fiction, the two-hour Tuesday classes will run until Feb. 28.

Fireballs

"The subject is very intriguing and he's not a flaky person," said Renate Krakauer, Humber's director of continuing education. "We offered the course because it seemed a lot of people wanted to learn about it."

But Dr. Allen McNamara, head of the National Research Council's planetary science section, discounts UFO sightings, which average about 150 across the country every year.

And he rejects outright Fenwick's charge that the government is "hiding ominous information" about what the aliens might be up to "because all reports are made available to the public."

He said most UFOs are meteor fireballs, landing lights from aircraft or the planet Venus, which can cause optical illusions just before sunset and dawn.

But Fenwick is a UFO believer. He's also despondent over the rose-colored pictures of aliens painted in films like *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* and *E.T., the Extraterrestrial*.

"Sightings have dropped in the last four years because people accept that image and want to believe aliens are benevolent so they don't report what they see," said Fenwick, who has been doggedly recording "events" since 1952.

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COURSE TACKLES ALIEN VISITORS CON'T

That's when he stumbled upon a book by U.S. Marine Corps. Major Donald Keyhoe called *Flying Saucers Are Real*. He read it and was hooked.

About 200 books and many file reports later, the co-director of the Canadian UFO Research Network has a dramatic sighting of his own to recall.

"It is scary, but it is no longer a mystery and it is difficult to decide what to do with the information," he said.

It was about 11 p.m., Nov. 16, 1977, that Fenwick had his major encounter. He was outside his house near Bathurst St.

and Lawrence Ave. when he saw a UFO.

"It was something about 100 feet above the trees going about 3 mph. It was long, lit up, yellowish and white," he said. It slowly headed north then disappeared.

Those and other UFO events will be outlined in his two hour classes during discussions of case histories.

The sessions will be educational, he said, but added the lectures will back his point of view because "seeing is believing."

Lights on the road

By LLOYD HOLMAN

Lights of an unknown nature were reported at Esterhazy, Saskatchewan, first in 1934 and again in 1936. They appeared close to the cemetery on the road. In many cases the lights forced vehicles into the ditch to avoid a collision. There were many stories told about the lights. My Father told one, as did my Uncle.

My father, told of passing the small town one evening in late July. He was surprised to have the headlights of his Model T suddenly reflected back into his eyes. Nearly blinded, he was just able to pull the car to the side of the road and stop. He recovered after a few moments and turned off the car's headlights. The reflection disappeared.

After a few moments wait, he decided it was safe to move on. When he turned on the headlights the reflection was back, much brighter than before. Frightened now, he quickly turned out the lights. The reflection again disappeared. After a long wait, he again turned on the headlights. The reflection did not reappear. Father drove on.

Until the day of his death he swore that someone had placed a large mirror on the

roadway. It was this declaration that would figure heavily in my uncle's incident with the lights.

My uncle was a very straight-laced man, who drank only tea and went to church every Sunday. He was unlike my father, who was known to take a nip now and then. (This may have colored Dad's story somewhat.)

My uncle was driving in the Esterhazy area one evening. As the twilight turned into a dark night he approached his rendezvous with the lights, they appeared, true to Father's words right in the centre of the

Looking right into the lights she did what any normal person would do, she fainted.

road. Uncle came to a panic-filled stop. Remembering Father's words that some nut was playing around with a mirror, Uncle decided to put an end to the little game. Lining-up the car's hood ornament with the centre of the lights he charged forward.

After the crash, Uncle realized that the lights were on the front of a rather irate farmer's tractor. Uncle swore never to speak to my father again. That was about the end of my uncle's story, although he did claim to have seen the lights again in 1936, but no one took him very seriously.

A third story told to me about the lights came from a schoolteacher, who had lived in the Esterhazy area at the time the lights first appeared.

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I met her on a bus trip to Edmonton in the late 1960s. As with most schoolteachers she was a great talker. After giving a run-down on world history, she passed quickly over the lives of Tolstoy and Zane Grey. This got her into the book, *Why Shoot The Teacher?* This in turn got us talking about our days on the farm. She went quickly from dust to sleeping sickness, then brushed over the ghost lights. This was where I got her stopped and asked her right out what she thought they were?

"Why UFOs," she said with a patient smile.

This from a woman who knew world history from the year one.

She got quickly into her story. She was on horseback one evening and her ride took her down the road that passed the cemetery. Suddenly, she was startled by a pair of very bright lights that raced down the road toward her and stopped nose to nose with her horse.

Now, the lights were a bit of an eye-opener for the poor horse. It did not take the time analyze the lights or what they may be. It took-off right through the cemetery leaving the teacher sitting right in the middle of the road suffering some pain and fear. Looking right into the lights, she did what any normal person would do. She fainted.

Hours later, she came out of it and looked around. All was darkness.

Years later she read many books about UFOs and their strange crews. She then realized what she had encountered that night was from outer space, she said.

She left the bus in Edmonton, I went on to Vancouver. As with most people one meets on the bus we promised to keep in touch. We never did. But I did buy the fine book, *Why Shoot The Teacher*. I smile every time I pick it up.

Many people have told me about the ghost lights over the years. If they really existed or not I don't know. Many people have thought they were caused by a prankster's mirror or a ghost haunting the cemetery. Some thought them to be oil on the road or static electricity. Perhaps there is someone who really knows.

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Incident In Camden Fosters UFO Interest

The Camden newspaper recently contained the headline, "Brilliant blast of light leaves county residents abuzz." A night-duty policeman in Bethune called Camden to see if there had been an explosion. Although the hour was 2:30 a.m. on Dec. 11, some 40 residents of Bethune gathered to discuss it.

Sheriff Hector DeBruhl called it a home-grown *Close Encounter of the Third Kind*. No logical explanation was forthcoming. This

naturally brings us to discuss again Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs), and I bring to *The State's* readers a message from John P. Timmerman, chairman of the Center for UFO Studies:

"We have been asked, 'What are your objectives at the Center for UFO Studies? What are you trying to accomplish?'

"Our answer is, we are seeking conclusive evidence which will provide the most probable explanations for the UFO Phenomenon. We are not trying to prove anything. We are seeking whatever we find. Using accepted scientific techniques and methodology, we are attempting to evaluate the overwhelming evidence of the many thousands of reports, following wherever the evidence leads us. Our other main objective is to be a reliable source of accurate and current information regarding the formal study of the UFO Phenomenon for those who seek it."

"But, it is a strange and frustrating journey and often lonely.

"It is strange because of the nature of the evidence, which is reported worldwide in almost all languages and which often defies the laws of the physical worlds as we now understand them.

"It is frustrating because only a very few curious minds are seriously examining the evidence and because only a very limited group of individuals is willing to help provide the funds for the potentially mind-expanding exploration."

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UFO SIGHTING BAFFLES SOVIET EXPERTS

MOSCOW ^{2 1/2} A mysterious bright object flew at great speed across the Ukraine and southern Russia last month and Soviet scientists are puzzled and divided about what it was, the Moscow newspaper *Trud* said today.

It said more than 40

people had filed eyewitness reports of the object, a bright sphere followed by seven smaller lights, which crossed the sky on the night of December 2.

Most said they saw it

changing altitude and direction and some claimed they saw a "construction like a spaceship, flying less than a kilometer (half a mile) above the ground"

LINCOLN, CA.

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"UFO" is identified

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Great balls o' lightning! It turns out that it wasn't a bird, a plane or ET making a comeback that created the U.F.L. (Unidentified Flying Light) that occurred over the Lincoln skies on Sunday, Dec. 11.

A woman called the News Messenger that next day to report seeing the strange light, low in the sky, about noon during the great rain and wind storm on Sunday. The light, described as being "brilliant," was seen by her above the horizon and seemed to be in the neigh-

borhood of Glen Edwards School.

Another reader, also a woman, paused at the News Messenger office last week to say what she had observed.

"I really laughed when I saw that," she said. "I was just coming out of church when the light occurred. The high winds were knocking two power lines together, causing the ball of light. It was really bright; I've seen lights like that in movies, but never in real life. It was quite something."

Man goes fishing — is caught by flying saucer

ANGLER ALFRED BURTOO has quite a different tale to tell after his fishing trip to a remote canal. It was he who got caught — by little green men who took him aboard their flying saucer.

The astonishing incident occurred at Aldershot, England, where experts are convinced of the validity of his story. Comments Omar Fowler of the Surrey Investigation Group on Aerial Phenomena: "I've been investigating UFO sightings for 16 years, and this is the most sensational thing that's ever happened."

Burtoo, 77, accompanied by his dog, Tiny, was fishing in the canal when, he says, the flying saucer landed. "I saw a bright light coming towards me, and it hovered just over the railway line," he recalls.

"It then settled on the bank. I went to have a look, and two figures dressed in pale green suits came towards me.

"They were about four feet tall and had dark visors covering their faces.

"One of them beckoned me; and I followed them to the steps.

"I wasn't afraid — I was more curious than anything."

Burtoo then describes going aboard the UFO.

"It was made of a kind of burnished aluminium, and I climbed some steps and went inside," he says.

"I walked across the room, and one of the aliens spoke to me in a kind of sing-song voice, with an accent something between Russian and Chinese.

"He asked me to stand under the amber light. I



ALFRED BURTOO points to where flying saucer landed.

... He's examined by little green men

By HAROLD LEWIS

couldn't see it at first, because there was a kind of black tube blocking my view.

"Then I saw it and went and did as I was told.

"After a few moments, they then asked me to turn around, which I did. They asked me how old I was, and

I told them the truth.

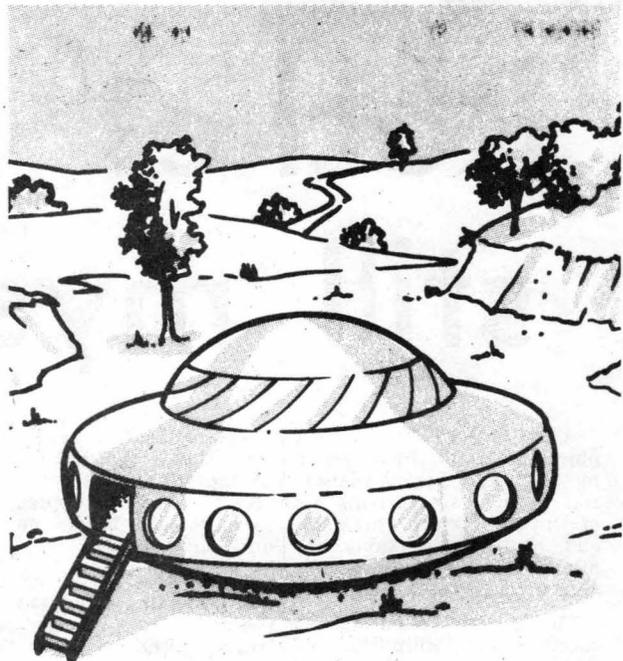
"Then they said I could go, because was I too old and infirm for their purpose."

Burtoo left the spaceship and was halfway along the towpath when it took off.

Burtoo says: "I didn't believe in flying saucers until this happened to me."

Believed

Although Burtoo told his wife, son and a neighbor about his close encounter, he didn't report it officially, because he didn't think he'd be believed.



There have been dozens of unexplained reports of unidentified flying objects in the area during the past 15 years.

Says Fowler: "I was very skeptical about his story when I went to interview him.

"But he came out with things he couldn't possibly

have known about unless he'd been studying UFOs for years.

"I'm convinced his story is absolutely true and this actually happened."



Mrs. Allenby and son Robert

BOURNEMOUTH
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'Rocket' flight still mystery

A SIGHTING of a mystery object in the sky by a woman motorist and her 15-year-old son, as they were driving out of Christchurch at the weekend, sounds remarkably like other UFO sightings in the area in recent years.

This is the reaction of UFO specialist Mr. Philip Shaw, of Ferndown, to the rocket-shaped object observed by an astonished Mrs. Maxine Allenby and her son Robert on the main Lyndhurst Road at Hinton Admiral.

Mrs. Allenby, who was driving to her home in Ash Road, Ashurst, thought at first she was looking at a low flying aircraft. It took a steep dive as it passed across the road ahead and went out of sight behind trees in the Walkford direction.

Thinking it had crashed she alerted Christchurch police. They made a thorough search of the area but found nothing.

New Milton police were also contacted but drew a blank and Air Traffic Control at Hurn had no knowledge of any low flying planes.

The incident, which has left Mrs. Allenby and Robert keen to find out more about UFOs, occurred as they approached the Cat and Fiddle pub at dusk on Saturday.

They were both definite that what they saw was not a reflection from another car's lights, although the light from it was the same yellow colour.

The object was in the middle of the windscreen when she first spotted it, said Mrs. Allenby, probably less than a mile away and moving fast at little more than tree height.

A mass of cone-shaped light was coming from the front part and behind, she and Robert could see a long, dark shape with no markings on it.

After jumping to the conclusion it was an aircraft, they then realised it had no wings and was rocket or cigar-shaped.

It suddenly took a sharp dive and looked as if it must have crashed after disappearing below tree level.

They had it in view about 20 seconds, long enough to talk about it while still watching. "I said to my son 'I'm not imagining it?' and he said 'No,' it was definitely there," said Mrs. Allenby.

"I've never seen anything like it before. We could not stop talking about it the next day."

Mr. Shaw, organiser of Ferndown Mystery Circle, told the Echo the sighting sounded remarkably like another not far away at Highcliffe Castle in the 1970s. That object was also cigar-shaped.

"This is very characteristic of the shape of objects I have investigated in the New Forest and Wessex area back to the 1950s," he said.

"They describe extraordinary manoeuvres, not always conforming to what we know of aircraft."

● Bournemouth weatherman Mr. Peter Rogers said what was seen could have been a lightning ball, a phenomenon still being investigated today.

Mysterious calling card proves UFOs do exist

SCIENTISTS ARE perplexed by a mysterious white cotton candy-like substance that has become known as a UFO calling card.

Some flying saucer buffs believe the curious fibrous masses known as angel's hair, because of its close resemblance to the spun glass used to decorate Christmas trees, may be formed by UFOs as they move through Earth's atmosphere.

Incredibly, reports of angel hair were first recorded on October 1, 679, at what is now Osaka, Japan, when five- to six-foot-long cotton-like masses of the fiber drifted in the wind over the city.

The appearance of angel hair has been recorded all over the world in scores of other accounts since that time.

One of the most startling cases occurred on October 22, 1954, over tiny Jerome, Ohio, when two adults and

60 schoolchildren observed a UFO passing overhead and leaving behind a blanket of angel's hair.

An account in the Journal-Tribune of nearby Marysville, Ohio, said the angel's hair was spread for three miles.

Principal Rodney Warrick was quoted as saying he was called outside by the children at about 3:15 p.m., in time to witness the display.

He said the UFO appeared to hang motionless in the sky, then, "it took off quite rapidly, disappearing in a very short time."

Some of the angel's hair fell in long strands and some drifted to the earth in balls similar to cotton. Trees, bushes and wires were covered with it.

He added that although the puzzling material could be pulled into a long thread so strong it could hardly be broken, handling caused it to disappear. The angel's hair turned fingertips green.

Almost a year earlier, a Belgian shepherd photo-

... Strange substance baffles scientists



graphed a large, flat disc-shaped object overhead which appeared to be producing angel's hair.

And only five days after the phenomena occurred over Jerome, a crowd at a soccer match in Florence, Italy, watched in amazement as two UFOs dropped a trail of angel's hair.

An engineering student collected some of the strands before it vaporized and took it to a chemistry professor at the University of Florence.

Analysis reportedly revealed that it contained boron, silicon, magnesium, calcium and other trace elements.

— CLIFF LINEDECKER

JAN 4 1984

Wendy shoots mystery object

By KATHRYN HOLLOWAY

WENDY GARRATT had a mysterious flying object clearly in her sights as it passed her Wallsend home.

Wendy, 20, of Bellshill Close, reached for her camera when the early morning mystery appeared.

Brother Alan, 16, and mother Catherine, kept watch while Wendy snapped the star-like object and then alerted Wallsend police.

"I could see it wasn't a star. It grew to be 10 to 15 times as big as a star and could be seen clearly with the naked eye," claimed Wendy.

By the time police arrived though the vision had begun to fade.

"I suppose they must have thought I had been celebrating New Year a bit too much," said Wendy, who completed a Press photography course in July.

"By then it looked much more like a star. I suppose that was a fair first impression if they hadn't seen what we'd seen."

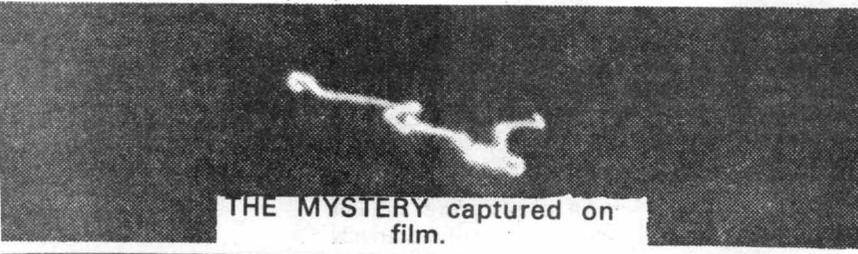
The Garratt family watched the mystery vision described by Wendy as "dome shaped on top with a saucer underneath," for an hour and a half.

Wallsend police, however, who received many similar calls about a year ago, are convinced Wendy's sighting was just a star.

"The officers were quite happy that this was a star but I will be looking into it," said Insp. David Raine.



WENDY GARRATT and camera.



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UFO report at Elvington

WITH reference to the many media reports of unidentified flying objects of the evening of 12th December (Monday), 1983, at approximately 8.30pm, and to your own news reports which appeared on the following day.

After interviewing many local residents who observed the phenomena, which was described as a glowing blue and red ball of light which exploded into a multitude of coloured lights, we initially thought the object was a fireball.

However, subsequent inquiries have revealed that no natural phenomena was recorded by Jordell Bank, the radio tracking station. We also received a report from a resident living near RAF Elvington near York, who witnessed at 7.00pm (same date as above) a large circular craft, displaying numerous lights. The witness estimated the object to be in the region of five aeroplanes in length.

Therefore, we have good reason to believe something extremely unusual occurred on the night in question, which could not be related to natural phenomena.

We would ask any other members of the public to come forward with further details of this sighting.

We will supply the newspaper with a complete dossier of the above case as soon as our investigation is complete. The Yorkshire UFO Society welcomes any help you may give regarding this sighting.

Mark Ian Birdsall,
Research Officer,
YUFOS Research Division,
67 Lovell Park Towers,
Leeds.

CHATHAM STANDARD, KENT. DEC 13 1983

LIGHTS IN THE SKY MYSTERY

IT IS unlikely an invasion force of little green men is homing in on the Medway Towns, despite recent sightings of weird multi-coloured lights in the sky above Rochester.

It seems that traffic controllers at R.A.F. Manston noticed nothing unusual on their radar screens on that night.

If the Medway Towns were "buzzed" by inquisitive aliens, they were not interested enough to make a landing at the nearby airport.

But the mystery remains. One woman walking along City Way certainly saw something which frightened her. Police found her cowering in the bushes screaming in terror. She claimed she had seen a

strange object flying over City Way, Rochester.

Later a Medway couple also said they had seen strange multi-coloured lights in the sky as they drove along City Way towards Maidstone at about 9 p.m. the same evening, 30 November.

Tom and Eileen Carter, of Longley Road, Rochester, saw the mys-

terious round U.F.O. from their car window — though they were not impressed enough to stop and get out to watch.

Eileen, who is 40, said: "We both saw a round object with all different lights — white, blue, green and red. It was quite big and it was certainly not a plane."

UFO research

IF you are one of those who believe they have seen a UFO in the skies above Burnley, then a Harle Syke man would like to hear from you.

Stephen Brown, 21, of 41, Duke Street, is compiling a dossier on local sightings of unidentified flying objects,

He stresses that he is making a scientific study of the subject, and is interested only in convincing cases.

Stephen has never seen a UFO himself and believes that 90% of all sightings can be explained.

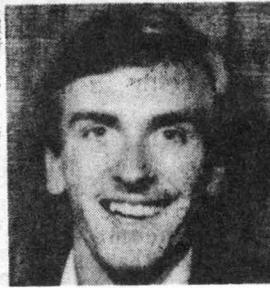
It is the remaining 10% that sets his imagination working.

"Many people think of a UFO as something resembling a flying saucer landing on a hillside. This is too far-fetched and should be dismissed from the mind," he declared.

"We've had reports of sightings in the area as far back as 1869. Apparently a man saw a flashing light flying low over Pendle.

"The subject has obviously gripped people's imagination throughout history."

In the Burnley area, people have reported UFO sightings in 1953, 1958 and 1977. But the



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biggest mystery of all, says Stephen, happened a few years ago in Todmorden when a UFO was linked with the unexplained death of a man of Eastern European origin who lived in the Wakefield area.

His body was found at Todmorden railway goods yard with mysterious burns on the head. An inquest was unable to explain his death, or how he came to be in Todmorden.

A policeman at Todmorden claimed he saw a UFO around the time the man was found dead.

Stephen, an employee at Hills Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Harle Syke, often writes to UFO experts in America.

If enough people show interest in his research, he would be prepared to call a meeting in Burnley town centre and engage an expert to talk about UFO's.

WESTER MORNING NEWS PLYMOUTH Coloured lights in the sky DEC 5 1983

WIDESPREAD reports of "coloured lights in the sky" have intrigued Westcountry UFO enthusiasts this week and puzzled the plainly curious.

But less excited citizens have dismissed the phenomena as aircraft lights, or even more likely, quiet-flying helicopters which on night training flights sometimes resemble airborne discos.

They also point out that on that particular night flying was in operation from RAF Chivenor and the lights were seen within a certain radius of North Devon. That may well be the explanation.

On the other hand there have been substantiated happenings in the sky over North Devon which have never been fully explained. Some 30 years ago the peace of the night sky was shattered by enormous explosions.

This happened on consecutive nights around 10 p.m. Coastguards dismissed the big bangs as "thunder" but a single clap of thunder on a winter's night repeated during the week is hardly feasible.

The most logical explanation, but one that was never confirmed was that something had been launched from the Ministry of Defence rocket testing station at Pendine in South Wales, that it had run amok and the self-destruction mechanism had blown it up.

A hundred years ago next January 13, at 9.45 in the morning, residents over a wide area of East Devon were alarmed,

by what was described as a "terrific explosion" in the sky. The Rev. W. Downes, of Kentisbeare, in a paper published by the Devonshire Association, attributed it to an exploding meteorite. Before he wrote his paper he sent a letter to The Western Morning News and readers over an area from Teignmouth to West Buckland, on the Devon-Somerset border, confirmed the strange happening.

The mystery was never solved. No fragments of meteorite were ever found. Nothing visible had been seen in the air. Modern science-fiction enthusiasts would probably attribute it to a space-craft which blew up on entering the earth's atmosphere.

Of course, in Mr. Downes' day sci-fi had not been invented. Jules Verne and H. G. Wells were yet to plough the first furrows of their imagination.

CLEVEDON MERCURY NOV 10 1983

Another UFO?

Dear Editor,

With reference to the sightings of UFOs (Mercury, October 21, 28), on the morning of Friday, October 28 at around 4 am, on looking out of my kitchen window, towards the village of Redhill with the Mendips to my right and Bristol Airport to my left, I noticed directly in front of me in the sky, a large round bright object.

Intrigued, I went outside the house to have a closer look. It did not move, and was still shining brightly when I returned to bed at about 4.30 am.

Mrs I. M. Moss
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OXFORD STAR NOV 17 1983

All things bright and mysterious

THE Rev. Donald Thomas looked up on a crisp October morning and saw a strange grey blob chasing a plane.

Now 12 years later Mr Thomas, rector of Hanborough, is still collecting sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects.

And he is appealing for help to investigate "the October effect" — when every four years sightings of UFOs seem to reach a peak that month. The last peak was in 1979.

Mr Thomas's sighting came at Long Hanborough. He said he watched as the blob, which had a thick turbulent vapour trail with a stubby end, followed behind and underneath the plane.

When the plane changed course, the blob carried on.

Mr Thomas of The Rectory, Swan

Lane, says he doesn't know what UFOs are, whether natural or extraterrestrial.

But he said: "A certain aspect of them — a certain proportion — are where the powers of evil seem very real and very active. Demonic, in short. It is why any priest should be concerned."

That is part of the reason Mr Thomas has managed to cope so cheerily with the incredulity of parishioners since he came to Long Hanborough in 1967.

"My doctor says he thinks I'm perfectly sane. Some parishioners dismiss it all as madness," he said.

But to cynics he says UFOs crop up at all times and in all places.

Already he says he has strong evidence there was an October effect last month. "The cycle is factual," he says.

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UFO expert:

ROCKFORD REGISTER STAR
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People afraid to admit sightings

By Joe Lamb
The Register Star

If you've ever seen something you'd really rather not talk about — say, some weird-looking object in the sky — then the scientist whose work helped inspire the movie *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, would like to offer you an attentive ear.

"We know there are many people out there who have seen things and have never reported them," says Dr. J. Allen Hynek, one of the most eminent scientists involved today in serious investigations of the unidentified flying object phenomena.

Hynek, professor emeritus in astronomy at Northwestern University, served as a technical consultant for the making of *Close Encounters*, an assignment that he quickly shrugs off as "no big deal." Likewise the fact that the term, "Close Encounters," derived from one of his own books (*The UFO Experience*, published in 1971).

His credentials also include service as consultant to Uncle Sam's legendary "Project Bluebook" study of UFO phenomena, plus writing a column, currently appearing in *Science Digest* magazine on astronomy and celestial events.

He also heads something called the

"Center for UFO Studies," headquartered in Evanston, which is deeply involved in researching UFO sightings.

That's what brought Hynek and his associate, Irwin Polakoff, the Center's vice president, to the Rockford area Friday.

"We're here because three gentlemen had what we call 'a close encounter of the first kind,' which means they saw something that left no physical trace — nothing that you can examine. The thing that gives their report credence was that it was seen by multiple witnesses who all give the same story, which rules out illusion."

Polakoff was referring to reports of a UFO sighting earlier this month in the Byron area, first reported by three young men and later by others who described two triangular shaped objects with flashing lights that hovered soundlessly over the area for a long time. Radar personnel at Greater Rockford Airport confirmed the objects, but



J. Allen Hynek

were unable to identify them.

"It's part of our practice at the Center to go to the place where it happens and interview witnesses in person," said Hynek prior to meeting with the three young men who first reported the Byron sighting.

The trio — admitting only that they were a little fed up with being teased and doubted — declined to discuss the experience any further with the press.

The reaction is typical, Hynek noted, of individuals who have had UFO encounters, and one of the reasons he believes many people have yet to come forward with reports of experiences that could help unravel the mysteries of UFOs.

He asked specifically that this interview include the address of the Center for UFO Studies and his encouragement for people who have had such experiences to contact its research staff. The address is 2623 Ridge St., Evanston, Ill., 60201, or P.O.

Box 1402, Evanston, 60204.

The Center for UFO Studies, Hynek explained, is making use of computer technology to build a "databank" of UFO reports, searching through them for the common denominators that could unlock some of the mysteries of the phenomenon.

Up front, Hynek makes it clear: "I will always leave the door open to possibilities, but I don't believe in little green men from outer space."

However, that does not mean he does not "believe in UFOs" — he does, whatever they are.

Over the years, he notes, there have been thousands of reports from around the world, with consistent similarities, and while logical explanations can be found for the greater majority, "It would be a gross mistake to say that all UFOs can be explained away."

There have been a multitude of sightings, he adds, by credible, highly educated people, including scientists, and, "It is impossible to call them all nuts."

Uncle Sam, he adds, calmly and with no sign of paranoia, is indeed engaged in a "UFO cover up," which he says has been confirmed by documents acquired by the Center for UFO Studies. He attributes that in part to "ignorance," but mostly to "embarrassment."

"It would be very embarrassing for the U.S. Air Force, which is supposed to be able to protect us, to admit that UFOs exist, but that they don't know what they are and they can't do anything about them."

As an astronomer, Hynek says he doubts that UFOs are spaceships manned by extra-terrestrials.

"I certainly do not hold the simplistic belief that UFOs are launched from some cosmic Cape Canaveral, or a Cape Kennedy deep in outer space. The distances are too great. If these things are the result of some extra-terrestrial technology, then they know a helluva lot more than we do: They've managed to overcome not only the forces of the universe, but time itself."

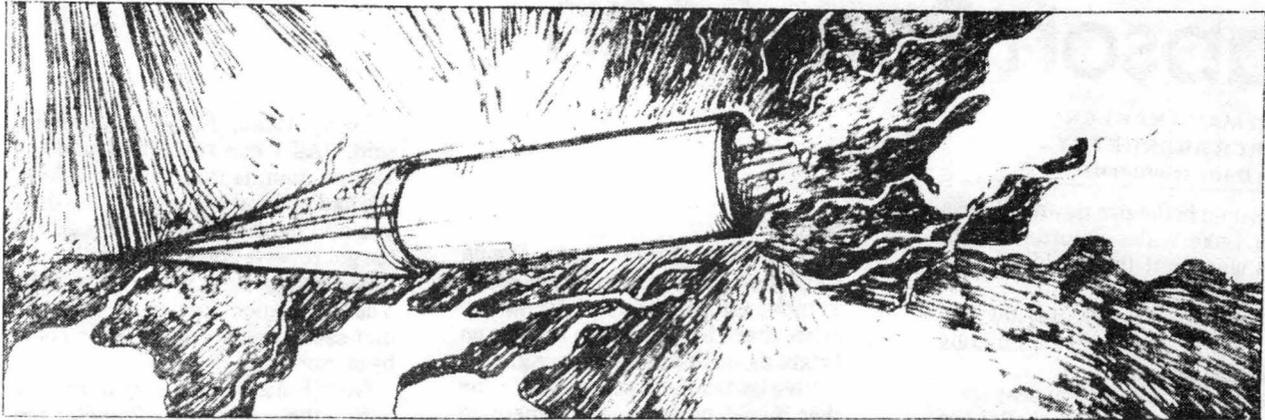
One area of current scientific speculation that intrigues Hynek involves the concept of invisible "multiple dimensions" existing side-by-side within our own universe — leading to a suggestion that UFOs may somehow be an "interface" between dimensions.

Whatever the answer, Hynek believes the evidence is too great to deny that something — whatever it is — is out there, and science has a responsibility to search for the answers.

"I have never had a close encounter myself, and (after 35 years of UFO study) I feel gypped in a way," Hynek chuckled. "I've never had a close encounter with a man-eating shark either — but that doesn't mean I'm going to doubt the existence of man-eating sharks."

"I have a feeling," he added, "that the UFO phenomenon is leading us into the science of the 21st century."

Soviet cosmonaut kidnapped by UFO!



• RUSSIAN COSMONAUTS radioed they were in danger and there has been no further contact with them since

AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE sources behind the iron curtain recently reported a group of cosmonauts appear to have disappeared in space and are believed to have been captured by space travelers from another galaxy.

by JEREMY MANN

"Of course the Soviets insist there is no problem, but we have firm reports that the cosmonauts sent a communication down that they were in danger, and then there were no further contacts made between them and the Earth," says a security source inside the Kremlin.

Two cosmonauts, Alexander Alexandrov, 41, and Vladimir Lyakhov, 42, were riding in space aboard a Soyuz T-9 spaceship last June when they docked their vehicle with the Salyut space station on June 28, the day after their launch.

Up to that point, everything about the space mission seemed normal and routine, but then things changed.

Trouble

First, a mysterious explosion aboard the space station knocked out all radio transmissions for several days.

After communication was restored, the cosmonauts sent some signals back to Russia claiming they were in trouble, and then the radio

signals were once again halted.

"The cosmonauts told us their supplies were in good order, and that there was plenty of oxygen and water for them, but that there was some mysterious kind of entity on the space station which was preventing them from leaving.

"They couldn't describe how this being looked because they couldn't really see it. They just knew it was there.

"They claimed this entity had a tremendous amount of energy and actually thrust them both against the sides of the space station when it would pass them.

Blocked

"They would remain pushed tensely against the walls for hours, unable to move. They couldn't even scratch their noses.

"They reported that they were always aware of the entity's presence, even though

they couldn't see it," notes the agent.

Shortly after the radio broadcast, the transmitters were once again blocked.

Meantime, the Soyuz can only remain in space for 115 to 120 days before returning to Earth because its batteries and other systems begin to deteriorate after that amount of time.

"If those guys don't get back soon, they may never make it," comments one American scientist familiar with the incident.

"Although they are the first group of space travelers from any nation to come in

contact with other world beings, many of the astronauts and cosmonauts have expressed a belief that these beings actually do exist.

Encounter

"Some of them have reported observing strange lights following their vehicles while others have felt powerful energy forces surrounding their spaceships.

"If this is really a close encounter with an intelligence from some other galaxy, and we have every reason to believe it is, then we can only pray for the Russians' safe return."

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Soviet newspaper reports UFO sighting

MOSCOW [Reuters]—A mysterious, bright object flew at great speed across the Ukraine and southern Russia last month, and Soviet scientists are puzzled and divided about what it was, the Moscow newspaper Trud reported Thursday.

Eerie Flash Was No Vision For Babson Park Man

LAKE WALES, FLA.
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By JAN MAYO KAHLER
And ARCH ABERNETHY
Of The Daily Highlander

It happened in the pre-dawn stillness east of Lake Wales Saturday. They had to wonder if the world was ending.

There was no noise. But the sky went from pitch black to a blinding light in seconds.

"We started saying our prayers," said Steve Wilson, 33, of Babson Park, describing the phenomenon that occurred just before dawn that day. Wilson was going hunting, driving northeast on SR 630 with his cousin and nearing SR 60 when it happened. It was over in seconds.

"I don't want to go through it again. It was that scary," he said Monday, calling the Daily Highlander to ask if anyone else had reported the incident.

What the two men saw at about 5:15 a.m. was confirmed by Wilson's

uncle, who observed it nearer Grape Hammock on Lake Kissimmee.

"It was pitch black and foggy," Wilson recalled. "Then the sky lit up like a rheostat... then the flash headed northeast. It was over in four or five seconds.

"It was like a short bolt of lightning, but there was no storm. No noise. No jet.

"It could have been a meteor. But I've seen meteors. Maybe if one moved right over your head... if it was, it didn't look like it would have made it to the lake (Kissimmee)."

Then it was over. Nothing else happened. Determining that it was not, after all, a nuclear attack, they went hunting.

As it turns out, their confidence was warranted.

Sightings like Wilson's for some reason get reporters' blood circulating, so the investigation was

begun.

First, Air Force Sgt. Donna Eggleston at McDill Air Force Base, Tampa, said the public information office there had gotten no reports on bright lights Saturday morning.

"We had nothing going at the time that would have caused something like that," Eggleston said, "and a check with the Avon Park Bombing Range indicated much the same."

She said the Army National Guard was at the bombing range for artillery practice over the weekend, but didn't start firing until about noon Saturday.

"The times don't fit in with the descriptions you gave me," she said, "so it must have been something else."

Next, a spokesman for the National Weather Service office in Ruskin said only one report similar to that from Polk County had been called in to meteorologists in Hillsborough County.

He said, "We got a call from a man who was fishing in Tampa Bay early Saturday morning... God knows why. Anyway, he said he had his back turned to whatever it was, and the light startled him so much he almost went out of the boat."

The weather spokesman said he had no reports of anything man-made that could have caused it. "We sort of feel it was some kind of meteor," he said.

That Tampa Bay fisherman apparently wasn't content with the National Weather Service information either, because we found he had called the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) at Cape Canaveral just before we did.

Rocky Raab, NASA spokesman, said, "All I can say, like I told the Tampa man, is that we didn't do it. We had nothing in the air at the time you and he mentioned, although we too got reports about the light."

Raab suggested we call the John Young Science Center in Orlando and see if astronomers there could be of more help.

We hit close to paydirt in talking with the center's Planetarium Director, Rita Fairman.

Fairman said, "Oh, yes. We got lots of reports on the light seen then. I even had to go on local tv with it. But, since I didn't see it myself, all I can do is give you an educated guess as to what it was."

She said she believes it was what astronomers call a "bolide" ...a meteor striking the atmosphere at such an angle as to appear much brighter than usual.

"Bolides can be larger-than-usual meteors," she said, "but not necessarily so. A lot depends on the angle at which they hit the atmosphere, and how clear it is. Make sure you say I'm not telling you it was as big as a bus."

Fairman said she had gotten reports of sightings as far north as Daytona Beach and as far south as Okeechobee.

"Most of those were from people who had to be up at that hour," she said, "like the disc jockey going to work and the people who were walking their dogs."

Fairman said all her correspondents described the light as being very bright; of four to five seconds' duration and moving generally in a northerly direction.

"I would... and this is strictly guesswork..." she said, "tend to think the thing was out over water... the Atlantic Ocean. But I'd not say for sure until I got a lot more data."

Odds And Ends

BY BRENT RAYNES

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Recent reports of UFOs (whatever they are or are not) continue to be made. I have met a family on South 48 Creek who have described some interesting experiences. A 10-year-old boy, back around May, stepped outside his home about 9 p.m. to investigate a rumbling noise, and says he saw a 20 foot wide saucer shaped something with various colored flashing lights hovering just a few feet over a nearby chicken coop. Then in June, his 28-year-old mother and his grandmother were startled late one night as a glowing white beachball sized object cruising only 2-3 feet over the ground silently glided down the gently sloping hillside toward their home. The grandmother, fearing that it might crash into the house, grabbed a flashlight and beamed it at the strange object. When she did this the object stopped and then reversed its direction, and then gained altitude and flew away.

Weirder still though, on at least three separate occasions, evenings from April to June, the children (three) and their grandmother, and once their great-grandmother, saw white human-like figures coming down the hill toward the house. They always mysteriously seemed to disappear at about the same spot. The adults speculated that they may have been "angles".

"It's hard to explain," the grandmother said. "I got the feeling that it was something holy." She noticed that the nights these beings were seen the UFOs did not appear, and they have reported seeing many odd lights.

"I am a skeptic of Martians or people being on other planets," the grandmother stated. She preferred to believe that perhaps they were witnessing secret government tests, of some sort.

This reminds me of an interesting story of a woman on 48 Creek who years ago saw a ball of fire roll into her home! That is, this small fiery ball barged in through the back door, rolled through the house and out the front door! Within a day or two someone in the family became ill and died, and so it seemed to have been an "omen". My informant (it was his late grandmother) says the woman was a truthful

and religious person.

Scientists are just getting where they can accept so-called "ball lighting" as real. But reports and folktales of rolling and floating balls of fire during clear weather seem to be another phenomenon, though similar in appearance. But science isn't too keen on omens these days either.

But such odd stories are not just native to this soil. Originally I am from the state of Maine, and it was there that a man from a town known as Palermo told me this intriguing story. Back in the early 1930s, he and his parents (his mother, alive then, confirmed this) had repeated sightings of pulsating balls of light for about two years. "The last time anyone ever saw it was the night my grandfather died and it was sighted by my father on a stone wall, a line between our farm and the next. This was the closest it ever got to our property. It was never seen by anyone after that."

Speaking of odd things, it's a good time to mention a Maine scientist who claimed back in 1954, to have caused UFOs in the skies around his Rangeley lab to dim out and even move when he aimed his invention, called a "cloudbuster", at them. Consisting of a number of hollow metal tubes mounted on a platform that could be swung about in various directions, the cloudbuster was brouded by flexible BX tubing to water or

moist ground. Therefore, it was set up like a lightning rod, except that Wilhelm Reich (the scientist) had built it to draw energy from the atomsphere.

Reich had a complex theory regarding what he called "orgone", an invisible energy essential to all living things. He felt that with our understanding of it we could do great things, like control weather and even cure cancer. But the Food and Drug Administration had Reich jailed for distributing some of his specially built boxes called "Orgone accumulators", which he felt could be used to cure cancer, and with an ailing heart he died there, in prison, in 1957.

Not all scientists get the Nobel Prize!

Was Reich a misguided, deluded scientist, or a misunderstood genius? Did he have some genuine insight into the mysterious forces of the cosmos?

Time will tell. Today a handful or so of other researchers have continued to follow up on Reich's earlier studies and experiments. Orene, Reigh, and Eros by W. Edward Mann (Touchstone, New York, 1973) probably bests presents a detailed and objective summary on Reich and other experimenters.

If any of you would care to share any personal experiences you may have had with UFOs, or have any of your own ideas you'd care to voice, please feel free to write me: Route 1, Box 66, or call 722-9422.

Government officials new targets in UFO 'Watergate' trial

GOVERNMENT authorities are being staggered by a flurry of lawsuits in which lawyers accuse them of a UFO coverup so massive that investigators describe it as a "cosmic Watergate."

By CLIFF LINEDECKER

Tenacious UFO experts — and shaken contactees — are determined to use thousands of pages of previously super-secret government data to prove that extraterrestrials already have landed.

Larry Bryant, director of the Washington-based Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS), insists the government is hiding the bodies of aliens killed in a series of devastating flying-saucer crashes.

"This is a public issue on the scale of Watergate," he charges.

Bryant points to an incredible document dated March 22, 1950, and recent-

ly pried loose from the FBI as evidence to back up his astonishing claim. The memo reads:

"An investigator for the Air Force stated that three so-called flying saucers had been recovered in New Mexico.

"Each one was occupied by three bodies of human shape, but only three feet tall."

Although the suit was thrown out of court by District Court Judge Oliver Gasch, in Washington, other troubling UFO suits must still be dealt with.

Investigators and contactees have taken advantage of the Freedom of Information Act to pry loose mounds of previously secret documents from the Air Force, FBI, CIA, NASA and other government agencies.

Three Texans — Betty Cash, Vicky Landrum and Mrs. Landrum's grandson, Colby, now 9 — are demanding a whopping \$10 million in a damage suit against the Air Force — which they claim is partly responsible for injuries they suffered in a chilling brush with a fiery, diamond-shaped UFO on December 29, 1980.

They complain they suffered from symptoms similar to radiation poisoning after the harrowing ordeal, including hair loss, blistered skin,

loss of appetite, nausea, psychological problems — and by Colby — progressive blindness.

And, they say, the government shares responsibility for their injuries because the UFO was surrounded by more than 20 helicopters similar to those used by the military.

They claim that the brightly lighted UFO hovered over the road in front of their car, radiating intense heat and



COLBY LANDRUM suffers psychological problems and blindness.

shooting flame toward the ground.

Their claim was rejected on grounds there was no proof the helicopters were owned or operated by the U.S. government, but the ruling was appealed.



WHOPPING LAWSUIT was filed by Landrum (left), Betty Cash and Mrs. Landrum's grandson.

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Force files UFO riddle

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POLICE were watching the skies yesterday after a report of a close encounter with a grounded UFO. The bizarre barrel-shaped object was spotted in a field at Rillington, near Malton, late at night. It appeared to be on the ground and was motionless, apart from flashing lights and a white strip down the middle.

The sighting was made by a nearby resident who told police he wished to remain anonymous, but his claims are not

being dismissed. A spokesman for Malton police said two officers on traffic patrol the same night also reported something strange.

"They saw lights in the sky at about 11.45 that night, so we don't think this report is a hoax," he added. The field was checked the following morning, but there were no signs or marks to indicate what the mysterious object could have been. A report on the possible sightings has been sent to the RAF in Middlesex.

Jason sees a big, blue, glowing UFO

A SCHOOLBOY claims he saw a UFO hovering above Harlow at midnight on Thursday.

Thirteen-year-old Jason, of the Morningtons, told the Star: "I was lying in bed, half asleep, when I heard a bang and a loud droning sound. I looked out of the window and at the back of

the Morningtons I saw a big blue saucer-shape in the sky about 200 metres above the houses.

"There was a glow all round it. Then it shot off towards Millwards and then over to Parn-don Wood."

Jason, who does not want to

be identified because of being teased by school friends, said he watched the UFO for about five minutes. He called his father, but by the time he went into Jason's bedroom the object had disappeared.

Jason says he is a great believer in UFOs though he knows many people would be

sceptical about his claims.

His mother said: "I heard a funny humming noise about midnight and Jason called his dad and said he'd seen a UFO. I've heard that several people in the area lost their electricity supply at around the same time and some people's TV aerials were affected."

SURREY MAIL

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UFO weight loss?

THE MAN who claims he was taken aboard a flying saucer in Aldershot on August 12th by little green men has lost 1½ stone in weight since the incident, says Mr. Omar Fowler, chairman of the Guildford-based Surrey Investigation Group on Aerial Phenomena.

Now Mr. Fowler - whose account of the alleged 'close encounter' has just been published in the Flying Saucer Review - wants to establish whether Alfred Burtoo's weight loss is caused by worry or radiation sickness.

The UFO expert is convinced the Aldershot man did go aboard a saucer-shaped craft on the banks of

the Basingstoke Canal, late at night. His description of the craft tallied with many others from around the world, Mr. Fowler said.

Since October, places like Aldershot, Normandy and the Hogs Back have reported a spate of UFO sightings. Just before Christmas a mysterious blue light was seen in the sky above Weybourne near Farnham.

And those readers who think only America is plagued by alleged landings of strange craft might be mistaken. On October 14th a woman on a country road near Reading, reported to her employer that she had seen a saucer-shaped craft on her way to work at 6.15 a.m.

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Mystery UFO is sighted

ANOTHER mysterious UFO has been spotted.

Now Mr. Simon Quilter (24) is wondering if anyone else saw the bright blue light he spotted near his home in Cox Avenue, Weybourne, at 10.45 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14.

He had just been dropped off from a friend's car when he saw the light, hovering silent and star-like.

"It just belted off towards Aldershot," Mr. Quilter said.

"It left an electric blue trace like a shooting star."

But he says the British Interplanetary Society told him no comets were due that night.

"It was unreal - quite silent," said Mr. Quilter, who works for Thames Television in London.

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Close encounter on walk to work

A pink triangle in the early morning sky certainly cheered up one man's walk to work.

For Mr Albert Prior of 40, Cherwell Road, Keynsham, spotted a strange moving object in the sky on his way to the Keynsham Paper Mill.

"I was walking along Bridges Lane and was about to turn right when I saw something out of

the corner of my eye. I turned round and thought at first it was a shooting star," he said.

He said the object shot off at a tremendous speed in another direction. "I couldn't describe the speed but it was easily as fast as a meteorite," said Mr Prior.

He described the object as triangular and a dull pinkish-red with an aura around it.

Mr Prior, aged 60, was

curious to find out if anyone else had seen the object so he rang around the Keynsham police station and the Lulsgate airfield. But neither had any reports, although Lulsgate logged Mr Prior's sighting.

Mr Prior also contacted a UFO organisation who informed him that there had been some sightings recently but not in the Keynsham area.

As for Mr Prior's

theories on what the object was, he couldn't say.

"Previous to this incident I always thought such things were figments of people's imagination. Whether there is a logical explanation for it or not I do not know.

"But people in work think I am going mad. All I know is I saw what I saw with my own two eyes."

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MOTHER AND SON IN UFO SIGHTING

by MARK DOWNING

A WOMAN and her teenage son were "dumbstruck" when they were confronted by what they are convinced was a spaceship.

"Honest to God it was a spaceship there," Mrs. Cathy Harris (35) told the "News."

Mrs. Harris described how she and her son Paul (13) left their home in Winchester Road, Ash, to walk to a nearby video shop at 6 p.m. last Tuesday.

"I caught up with him and he was standing there dumbstruck," she recalled. "He said, 'look' . . . and there it was."

She said the electric blue craft was cigar-shaped with three or four hatches.

"I am not telling a lie," she added. "I have never seen anything like it."

After hovering over Shawfield First School, it headed towards Guildford, said Mrs. Harris, a part-time school cleaner.

"I felt a mixture of fear and excitement at the same time," she added.

She said the craft made no noise.

Now Mrs. Harris has contacted Mr. Omar Fowler, a local UFO expert, about the incident.

He has dealt with a spate of sightings from the Aldershot area in recent weeks.

Visitors

After meeting Mrs. Harris he said: "It does seem to be an authentic report."

The sighting had much in common with established classes of unidentified flying objects.

Mr. Fowler would like to hear from anyone else who may have seen the object which was about the size of a double-decker bus.

He will be compiling a report for the UFO Studies Centre in Illinois, USA.

Mr. Fowler has paid a return visit to Mr. Alfred Burtoo in Pegasus Avenue, Aldershot, the pensioner who reported meeting visitors from outer space on the banks of the Basingstoke Canal last year.

"Mr. Burtoo has lost a bit of weight and he's not sleeping at nights," Mr. Fowler said. "The experience is preying on his mind."

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Lights in sky spark new UFOs probe

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TWO PULSATING white lights in the sky over West Bletchley could be the latest in a series of UFO sightings in the area.

A report has already been logged with the British UFO Research Association by their Home Counties representative Ken Phillips, but he is looking for more than the two witnesses he has found so far.

The latest sighting came at 5.50 pm on Wednesday last week. The two witnesses—who wish to remain anonymous—saw the lights over their homes in Nene Drive travelling east towards the A5.

"There were two pulsating white lights, one at a faster rate than the other, so every now and again they were coming into synchronism," said Mr Phillips.

"The lights banked to the left and for an instance, the witnesses thought they could detect a rim. They stood watching for three or four minutes as the lights gradually faded into obscurity."

There have been several reported UFO sightings in the skies over Milton Keynes in the last ten years.

Two years ago, two policemen stood openmouthed as a round yellow craft emitting beams of red and blue light hovered over their Panda

By ANDY GIBBS

car on Saxon Street, near Fishermead.

And in 1978, the sighting of an object over the Lakes estate, with lights spinning round it and a bluey-white glow, was given a "high credibility rating".

But Mr Phillips is sceptical that the latest sighting is genuine. He has established that three aircraft from RAF Upper Heyford in Oxfordshire were in the area at the time.

"There was no sound detected, but aircraft sometimes shut off their engines because of environmental grounds over cities," he said.

"This has all the hallmarks of an archetype which may have been triggered off by the sighting of USAF jets. You can't really say that it's anything more concrete than that at the moment"

UFO expert marches to a different danger

By Charles Paul Freund

IT WAS right after World War II, with a Cold War dawning and the sky a potentially missile-filled place.

An anxious public gazed skyward and began to see lights and shapes. Shaped like discs, cigars and boomerangs, they zoomed about the sky in aerodynamically impossible patterns; they were detected on radar near military installations, power grids and even the nation's capital. In short, they captured the attention of nearly everyone in the country, including the Central Intelligence Agency and the Air Force.

Invasion. Earth against a hostile fleet of flying saucers. The unfriendly aliens scenario, the most dramatic of numerous theories suggested by successive waves of sightings, once sold hundreds of thousands of paperbacks and millions of movie tickets. Today, relatively few people still believe that UFOs are dangerous. Philip J. Klass is one of them, which is why he has spent much of the past 17 years shooting them down.

Not that Mr. Klass expects extraterrestrial discs to come hurtling out of the sky firing laser beams at the White House. It is the ongoing *belief* in UFOs that concerns him. In opposition to what he calls "the UFO myth," he has investigated hundreds of UFO cases, including most "major" cases, and offered prosaic, nonexotic explanations for them all. He has long concluded that "there are *no* solid UFO cases."

Mr. Klass's indefatigable pursuit of the UFO story, earning him a reputation as "the Sherlock Holmes of UFOlogy," has resulted in numerous reports, lectures, media appearances and confrontations with UFO proponents, as well as three full-length books. His best-known work, "UFOs Explained," appeared in 1974. Published recently by Prometheus Books, "UFOs, The Public Deceived," is his first book since then.

Although Mr. Klass is senior avionics editor for *Aviation Week* magazine, the 64-year-old Washingtonian refuses to trade on its prestige. Instead, he characterizes his UFO investigations — done at his own expense — as "a hobby." By his own estimation, it has taken up thousands of hours of his time (though fewer since his marriage four years ago) and has made him comparatively little profit (he has offered to make his tax returns available to his accusers). On the other hand, some UFO proponents have charged him with being on the CIA payroll or with using "McCarthyite" tactics, or have branded him (in what is Mr. Klass's favorite sobriquet) a "scientific

"A certain skepticism in our modern civilization is necessary."

—Philip J. Klass

charlatan." What makes the effort worthwhile?

"I could cite you the case of a middle-aged couple," he says, "who were talked into selling all their property by a man who claimed that UFOs had landed on his ranch and who told them that he would like to build radio and TV stations to broadcast their great wisdom.

"Or of a couple who sat in their car for a month in winter waiting for UFOs to come and take them. Or of 'Bo and Peep' [leaders of a mid-'70s UFO cult that, at its height, led a thousand followers to abandon their homes and families]. But even after you'd cited such individual cases, you could say, well, how many people have you hurt?"

The problem with letting UFO claims go unchallenged, according to Mr. Klass, is one with significant implications.

"There is a danger to the republic in excessive credulity," he says, whether dealing with extraordinary claims, such as those involving UFO experiences, or with such ordinary affairs as appraising the contradictory promises of politicians. Noting that nature has given animals an innate skepticism in dealing with the world, Mr. Klass argues that "a certain skepticism in our modern civilization is necessary." Widespread, unexamined reports of bizarre and paranormal events, Mr. Klass suggests, erode this skepticism.

According to Mr. Klass, the study of UFOs is "an ersatz science."

"If you want to become expert in astronomy, you've got to study four or six years in college," he adds. "If you want to become an expert in UFOs, go out and buy two or three paperbacks, and spend a few pleasant evenings; you can pontificate on matters like what kind of propulsion they must use to get here from there.

"One of the characteristics of ersatz science is that the passage of time never increases our basic understanding of the alleged phenomena. People have been studying reports of ghosts and haunted houses for a hundred years; we know nothing more about it. Collectively, we've got more than a hundred thousand UFO reports, yet no one knows any more about what UFOs really are than was known 10, 20, or 30 years ago."

According to Mr. Klass, all UFO reports are misperceptions of celestial objects, man-made objects, unusual aerial and atmospheric phenomena, or hoaxes.

His own involvement began in the mid-1960s, when he objected to the staging of a UFO panel by an engineers' group of which he was a member, and was consequently invited to join the panel as a dissenter. Collecting information to prepare his stand, Mr. Klass read the then best-selling account of alleged UFO visits to Exeter, N.H.

He noticed that the characteristics of the UFOs were very similar to ball lightning, a subject on which he had reported earlier for *Aviation Week*, and, on investigation, learned that the weather conditions that summer in Exeter were ripe for its formation near power lines. However, when the symposium for which he had been preparing was canceled, Mr. Klass decided to air his theory anyway, publishing it, at the invitation of the editor, in *Aviation Week*, and expanding on it in his first book, "UFOs — Identified."

"I had imagined that the UFO believers would say, 'Well, fine. That's an interesting theory. We'll investigate it; we don't have to embrace it. Maybe if this hypothesis explains those UFOs seen near power lines, we

Klass finds a danger in 'UFO myth'

can forget those. We've got so many thousands of reports, we can focus on the others.'

"But instead I was bitterly attacked. Today I know that the myth exists in part because of large numbers. And anybody who threatens to deprive them of some of those numbers is a threat to the cause."

Mr. Klass intended to withdraw from the field after his first book, but because he was afterward challenged by readers with their own favorite UFO case to argue, and because, as he puts it, "the virus bites you," he continued to investigate and publish his findings. In the early 1970s, he issued what has become known as "The Ten Thousand Dollar Offer," challenging UFO proponents to risk some of the funds they were making promoting the field.

What Mr. Klass suggested was an arrangement by which he would pay \$10,000 to all takers whenever incontrovertible evidence for UFO visitation is accepted by the National Academy of Sciences, or when an extraterrestrial visitor speaks before the United Nations. In return, they would pay him only \$100 a year for 10 years. He has had about a dozen takers over the years, he says, with only two maintaining their payments until the present. Mr. Klass has also offered to buy back all copies of "UFOs Explained" from readers on the same historic occasion.

His new book continues his tradition of investigating major UFO cases, particularly those chosen by the field's best-known proponents. "UFOs, The Public Deceived" covers in detail claims that recently released CIA files on UFOs reveal long-standing government cover-ups of their presence. //

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3 claim UFO injured them

Trio files lawsuit alleging object was U.S. aircraft

By DIANE FREEMAN
Post Reporter

The lawsuit against the federal government says Betty Cash was driving back home from New Caney with her friends that night when they saw the diamond-shaped object hovering over the treetops along the isolated two-lane road.

Says Cash: "It was shooting flames from the bottom and making a terrible shrill beeping sound."

Cash, 54, stepped on her car's brakes so suddenly that her friend Vicki Landrum was thrown forward in the front seat. Landrum, 60, braced herself by pushing her hands against the dashboard.

Landrum's handprint remains indented on the dashboard now three years later — a result of the intense heat inside the car that December night, Cash claimed.

The two women and Landrum's 10-year-old grandson Colby were heading home to Dayton about 9 p.m. that night on Farm Road 1485 about seven miles outside New Caney when they saw the aerial object.

"I was trying to keep Colby from going berserk," said Landrum, who worked as a waitress in a cafe Cash operated in Dayton.

The object "hung there for a while, and then it started lifting," Landrum said.

When the object ascended and moved away, about 23 double rotary "military type" helicopters appeared and surrounded it. It looked as if the helicopters were escorting the object, said Cash, who now lives in Birmingham, Ala.

"The government knew what that object was or where it was going," Cash said.

Cash and the Landrums have filed a \$20 million lawsuit in Houston's federal court against the government, charging it was negligent by letting the alleged experimental aerial device fly over a public road.

The lawsuit said Cash and the Landrums have suffered severe injuries since the Dec. 29, 1980, incident, including swollen eyes and earlobes, loss of fingernails, headaches, stomach pains, blisters, vomiting, scarring and hair loss.

"It seems evident it was radiation," said the trio's attorney, Peter Gersten of Tarrytown, N.Y.

Washington spokesmen for the Air Force and the Justice Department declined to comment on the lawsuit Friday. //

H. G. Wells has a lot to answer for!

I SEE that last week Unidentified Flying Objects were spotted over Woking and Byfleet.

This, of course, does not suggest the casual town-shopper will suddenly run tete-a-tete into a green boggle-eyed ET hopping along Commercial Way. To the serious UFO investigator this type of fallacy is one they would rather forget.

It is unfortunate that so many people associate a UFO with the infamous "flying saucer" and cliches about men from Mars. Perhaps that is why the witnesses who told their story to my colleagues insisted on anonymity.

Woking has the unfortunate position of being featured in H. G. Wells' classic sci-fi novel *War of the Worlds*. It is therefore tempting to take each sighting in this area with a larger pinch of salt than usual.

The police spokesman whom my colleague consulted about last week's incidents immediately asked if they had

taken place over Horsell Sandpits — apparently the exact spot where the Martians landed in Mr. Wells' story.

Who could blame such jokey scepticism after the number of mistakes and hoaxes which surround the study of UFOs? Too often the UFO becomes an IFO — Identified Flying Object — which the the past have been cows in the moonlight, weather balloons, clouds, insect swarms, lighthouses, and even the planet Venus.

Our Woking witnesses thought the red object which fell from the skies on Saturday, January 14, could have been a piece of satellite debris burning up in the atmosphere. The eerie astral ballet which was performed by blobs of light in Byfleet two days later might have been linked to the recently opened M25 motorway, but who can really say?

Are UFOs simply our way of labelling rationally an inexplicable occurrence in the sky, like the ancient Greeks explained the workings of their world with the Olympian deities? Whatever, it makes a good newspaper story and we are privileged that, if the aliens did decide to land, it would be in our circulation area.

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UFO was also seen in Huyton

THE BRIGHTLY-LIT UFO seen in Whiston last Tuesday evening was also seen in Huyton at about the same time at 7.30pm.

Miss Jenny Jackson, aged 24, of Oxford Road, Huyton, saw the mysterious object hovering overhead as she was going along Longview Drive, but did not think anything of it at the time.

But when she read the article in last week's Reporter stating that two other people had seen the object as well she was shocked and now believes it was a UFO.

Jenny and her sister Angela, also 24, were travelling by car to a darts match when they saw two white lights and two red lights in the sky. They knew it could not have been a plane because it was too low in the sky, but they had no idea what else it could have been.

Said Jenny: "When I read the article in the Reporter I was shocked that someone else had seen it. It must have been some kind of UFO. I'm going to start looking out for them now."

The object was also seen by a Whiston woman at the same time. She saw it over a school field in Weyman Avenue near her home.

A man walking his dog in the Whiston area reported seeing an unusual object in the sky too, although later in the evening.

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U.F.O. sighting at Christchurch?

THE sighting of a mystery object in the sky by a woman motorist and her 15-year-old son last weekend sounds remarkably like other U.F.O. sightings in the area in recent years.

That is the reaction of U.F.O. specialist, Mr. Phillip Shaw, of Fern-down, to the rocket-shaped object observed by an astonished Mrs. Maxine Allenby and her son, Robert, on the main Lyndhurst Road at Hinton Admiral near Christchurch.

Mrs. Allenby, who was driving to her home in Ash Road, Ashurst, thought at first she was looking at a low flying aircraft. It took a steep dive as it passed across

the road ahead and went out of sight behind trees in the Walkford direction.

Thinking it had crashed she alerted Christchurch police. They made a thorough search of the area but found nothing.

New Milton police were also contacted but drew a blank and Air Traffic Control at Hurn had no knowledge of any low flying planes.

The object was in the middle of the wind-screen when she first spotted it, said Mrs. Allenby, probably less than a mile away and moving fast at little more than tree height.

A mass of cone shaped light was coming from the front part.

MYSTERY OF THE 'SPACE VISITORS'

by **MARK DOWNING**

UFO experts say yet another mysterious sighting in the skies confirms their theory that the area is the centre of attention for alien beings from outer space.

In the latest incident two woman were driving towards Camberley when they saw three lights in the sky near the Little Chef on the A30 at Blackwater.

Mrs Carol Broadbent, of Mendip Road, Cove, contacted the "News" after reading of Mrs Cathy Harris's close encounter at Ash

Mrs Broadbent was being driven by her friend Mrs. Ann Clark, of Sunnysbank Road, Cove, when she saw two lights and a "blob" stationary in the sky ahead

"As we got nearer I realised it was three lights," she said

The women turned off by St. Michael's Church and saw the main light then the other two send out a beam of light across the night sky

"There was a smoky kind of circle around it," Mrs Broadbent said "It started to fade. We seemed quite near by this time"

They ran back, but the apparition faded away

Frightening

Mrs Broadbent said she called police, who suggested she contact the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough.

"The RAE seemed to think it could have been a helicopter, but I am absolutely certain it was not a helicopter or aeroplane," she said "It never moved

"It was quite frightening, but I am glad I have seen it. I will probably never see anything like it again. I am so excited about it."

Mrs. Broadbent said she used to be sceptical about UFOs, but now the incident has converted her to believe in them.

"I don't know about little green men or anything like that, but I definitely believe there's something besides us," she said.

Mrs. Broadbent has contacted UFO expert Mr. Omar Fowler about her experience.

After speaking with Mrs. Broadbent he confirmed: "It does appear to be UFO activity she saw at Blackwater."

Mr. Fowler said there were similarities to Mrs. Harris's sighting.

His group will be interviewing Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Broadbent to gather more information on what they saw.

"It does confirm our theory that we are now in the middle of a period of intense UFO activity in the area," Mr. Fowler said.

He is anxious to hear from anyone else who has seen anything unusual in the sky but has been reluctant to report it.

WOKING NEWS SURREY

Return of the UFOs

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LONDON

FOUR people claimed this week that they had seen "UFOs" over the town, but refused to give their names for fear of ridicule. They are the first "sightings" for three years.

A 25-year-old Chobham rugby player claims he was driving home on Saturday at about 5.15 p.m. along Woodham Lane after a match and saw a red light which sped overhead and appeared to fall on to the West Byfleet Golf Club.

"It was much larger than an aircraft and I braced myself for the sound of a crash, but nothing happened."

A second witness, aged 26, who lives on Constitution Hill, claims he saw the same object but in more detail.

"I noticed what seemed to be a light aircraft crashing down over Woking Park. I realised it wasn't because the shape was more of a triangle and it glowed reddy orange," he said.

His father, a headmaster living in Pyrford, claims to have seen the same thing while driving through West Byfleet.

The men think it may have been satellite debris which developed a fluorescent effect as it burnt up in the atmosphere.

An 18-year-old girl student told of a second "sighting" on Monday.

"It was about 7.40 p.m. when I stopped my car to watch three bright lights in a perfect triangle hovering over the Manor Farm Estate market garden at Byfleet.

"They remained over the Wisley woods and then moved to the left, dissolving slowly until they disappeared. Two minutes later three more lights rose out of the trees, one became brighter and two others glittered to form the shape of a really huge triangle."